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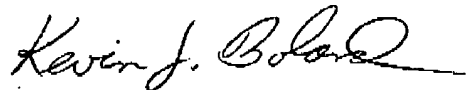
Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and
Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

1. Request for Reconsideration (3 pages).

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TO CHARGE ALL FILING FEES DUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.16 AND ALL
OTHER FEES DUE UNDER §1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS
APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1729.**

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on January 21, 2004,
applicant presents the following remarks.